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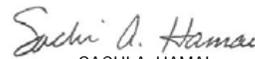
The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

21 June 6, 2012


SACHIA A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ORDINANCE AMENDING TRANSITIONAL JOB
OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE PROGRAM
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approve an Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code, Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve an Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code, Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program, increasing the preference for nonprofit organizations that provide transitional employment services from five percent to eight percent, with the preference percentage increase in countywide solicitations to become effective on August 1, 2012; and
2. Clarify the administration of the Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On May 1, 2012, your Board directed the Internal Services Department (ISD) to work with County Counsel to: (1) Prepare an amendment to the Transitional Job Opportunities Preference (TJOP) Program Ordinance to increase the cost percentage afforded to nonprofit entities that provide transitional job opportunities from five to eight percent in solicitations for County contracts or purchase orders; (2) return to the Board with the amended Ordinance for approval within 30 days; and (3) develop implementation instructions for County departments to implement the program change(s) by August 1, 2012.

The County's TJOP program is designed to assure that all businesses, including nonprofit businesses that provide transitional employment services, are provided equal opportunities in County purchasing and contracting activities.

The proposed ordinance amendment provides for an increase in price or scoring preference to bids and proposals from nonprofit organizations that provide transitional employment services from five percent to eight percent. It also clarifies the administration of TJOP program by removing references to the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance, and identifies ISD as the responsible department.

If approved by your Board, the proposed amendment will be implemented in countywide solicitations effective August 1, 2012. This will provide ISD sufficient time to update the website and departmental instructions and training materials, and to coordinate the implementation of the process change among all County departments.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the amended Ordinance will further the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness by ensuring that service delivery systems are efficient, effective and goal-oriented.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Over the past three fiscal years, six TJOP program nonprofit organizations have participated in 12 County solicitations. A participating nonprofit received an award in four of these solicitations. No additional costs resulted from selecting a TJOP program bid over a lower bid from another business.

ISD believes that increasing the TJOP program to eight percent may generate additional participation by businesses that provide transitional employment services, and the higher (8%) preference amount may increase awards to these businesses. ISD estimates the overall countywide costs under an eight percent bid preference to be minimal. The impact on net County cost would be variable based on actual bid experience.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This Ordinance amendment has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The Ordinance amendment will enhance existing contracting and purchasing policies and procedures while providing guidance that is consistent with your Board's direction.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Tindall".

TOM TINDALL

Director

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Attachment

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Deputy CEO